

### **REMARKS**

Entry of the foregoing and reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application, as amended, pursuant to and consistent with 37 C.F.R. § 1.112, are respectfully requested in light of the remarks which follow. This Supplemental Amendment is filed further to the Reply and Amendment filed by Applicants on March 23, 2005.

Applicants thank Examiner Goldberg for taking time on May 26, 2005 to meet with Applicant's representatives and Dr. Syd Finkelstein.

Claim 46 is added herein. Basis for this new claim may be found through the specification and claims as-filed, especially at page 29, lines 1-2 and page 35, lines 1-2. Thus, no prohibited new matter is added by way of this supplemental amendment.

**CONCLUSION**

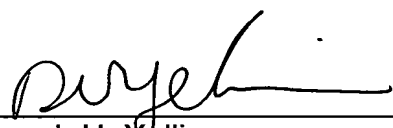
From the foregoing, further and favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested and such action is earnestly solicited.

In the event that there are any questions concerning this amendment or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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